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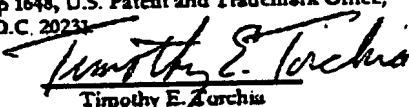
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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of  Phillip W. Berman <i>et al.</i>  Serial No.: 09/103,262  Filed: 23 June 1998  For: Methods and Compositions for Vaccination Against HIV	Group Art Unit: 1648  Examiner: R. Budens  <b>CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION</b>  January 22, 1999: Date of Transmission  I hereby certify that this correspondence, consisting of an Amendment Transmittal and Supplemental Preliminary Amendment is being facsimile transmitted to Examiner Robert Budens, Group 1648, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, D.C. 20231   Timothy E. Torchia
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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to the examination of the application on its merits, please enter this amendment and consider the application based on the following amendments and remarks.

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

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19. An antibody, or epitope-binding fragment thereof, which has the characteristics of a monoclonal antibody [collected] selected from the group consisting of 6E10, 13H8, [11G5, 10F6,] and 6D8 produced by hybridomas with ATCC accession numbers CRL 10514, CRL 10510, and CRL 10513, respectively.
20. A monoclonal antibody, selected from the group consisting of monoclonal antibodies